25 (New). The method of claim 23, wherein the programmable material is coupled to the contact through a heater element wherein the heater element has a first portion and a second portion and the second portion is disposed adjacent the programmable element and forming the dielectric material comprises forming the portion with the thermal conductivity less than silicon dioxide adjacent the second portion of the heater element.

Remarks

This divisional is directed to Group II of the parent application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1504.

Respectfully submitted,

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